HOUSE BILL 2083

By Powell

AN ACT to amend Tennessee Code Annotated, Title 71, Chapter 5, Part 25, relative to the office of inspector general.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE:

SECTION 1. Tennessee Code Annotated, Section 71-5-2502, is amended by deleting the section and substituting the following:

- (a) There is created a division of state government that shall be known and designated as the office of inspector general.
- (b) The division is located within the department of finance and administration and reports directly to the commissioner of finance and administration.
 - (c) The office of inspector general shall be headed by an inspector general.
 - (d) The office of inspector general is:
 - (1) An independent and nonpartisan office with the responsibility of ensuring state officials and state employees meet the highest standards for integrity, efficiency, and accountability; and
 - (2) Separate and distinct from the TennCare bureau and the medicaid fraud control unit (MFCU).

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect upon becoming a law, the public welfare requiring it.